Today the Home School Liaison Officer is visiting our school to identify any student attendance issues. Parents and caregivers will be contacted where the HSLO finds a poor attendance pattern including partial absences and lateness. It is really sad to see some children start the day from behind because they are late to school.

On a brighter note I congratulate the singers of Years 1 & 2 who represented our school at the Harmony Day festivities at the Botanical Gardens on Sunday morning. By all accounts the children loved the opportunity and shone! Thank you to the parents who supported this community building initiative and allowed their children to shine as public performers on behalf of our school. Thank you to Roz Baldwin the director of the choir, and supporting teachers Mark Guihot and Jane Crooks.

Many thanks also to Amy Gravino who is delivering very popular guitar lessons to students each Friday. The children are loving it!

Today I am in Grafton with a school action team, as part of the KidsMatter program.

Our school is committed to improving the mental health of children through the KidsMatter program.

Kidsmatter is a way of doing things so that the mental health of children is strengthened for life.

As a school we integrate a lot of strategies to assist the children to be healthy physically and emotionally – we do this mostly by giving the power to the children to create their own positive future. We do not cocoon the children from the real challenges of life. Our job as educators and parents is to create people who can not only cope, they can bounce back and go on to thrive.

At this school we help the children to understand themselves and others and we help them build healthy lifestyles and to create and maintain positive relationships.

We help the children understand that a disagreement is not necessarily an argument which is not necessarily a conflict situation which is not always bullying. We also put in to place a range of proactive strategies such as peer support and buddying programs, Rock & Water, and all of our safe living units in personal development studies. We also show the children that even though they are kids, they themselves can deal with difficult situations. We show them that they are strong and resilient and can overcome challenges in their life.

It’s good work!

Cheers!

Ray Rincheval, Proud Principal
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